

THE JOURNEY

“Truth suffers, but never dies.”- St Teresa of Avila

Second Sunday of Lent
March 5th, 2023



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

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www.teresa.church

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 6 PM French Mass

Sunday 10 AM, 12 PM, 6 PM

Daily Mass Schedule

Wednesday - 8:00AM

Friday Communion Service

Friday- 8:00AM

Baptism, Reconciliation, Anointing

Please call the office to arrange or email
cgioia@stteraparish.org

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays- 6 PM to 7:30 PM

Office Hours

Weekdays: 9 AM - 7:30 PM

“St. Teresa of Avila Parish is an engaged community rooted in the beauty of the Eucharist and our Catholic faith. We want to make a difference in the lives of the people, especially those who are searching to discover how much God loves them and is calling them to join in the Mission of Christ to live His Gospel. We do so by welcoming people of all backgrounds and cultures in our parish, respecting their desires and questions, crossing borders and learning from those we encounter. You are welcomed to join in the Mission of building bridges and sharing the Good News of Christ.”

Community Ministries

If you want to serve the St. Teresa’s community in our liturgies or our planning, there are many opportunities for you!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

teresa.church/rcia

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, or helping those through that process as a companion.

Lectors

teresa.church/lectors

Email eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com for more information.

Eucharistic Ministers

teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers

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Pastoral Council

teresa.church/pastoral-council

Represent the parish and help advise the pastor in our mission and vision for our community.

Finance Council

teresa.church/finance-council

Reviews financial documents and position of the parish and advise pastor and business manager on financial decisions.

Interested in Joining Our Parish?

Are you interested in making St. Teresa’s your spiritual home? Or just want to learn more about our community? Fill out the below form and drop it in the collection basket or join online at teresa.church/join.

Name

Email

Phone

Address

Ministries of Interest

In fulfilling our mission to be “Faith & Spirit. Alive.” we invite you to get involved with your family here at St. Teresa of Avila parish.

Outreach Ministries

We have a variety of opportunities you can join to get involved and help serve our community, the Lincoln Park area, and the city of Chicago.

Welcome the Stranger

Join with parishioners from St. Teresa of Avila, St. Josaphat and others in the Lincoln Park Community to support a refugee family's journey in Chicago. Please fill out this link and we will add you to our updates and emails! <https://bit.ly/welcomethestrangerLP>. Additionally, if you would like to work directly with a refugee family, you can sign up at any time for a 3 hour Engaging with Refugees: Cross-Cultural Training <https://exodusworldservice.org/register/>.

Night Ministry

Support our partnership with The Night Ministry by providing sack suppers to the homeless. Participation is easy and safe! For more information and to sign up, please contact Susan Matejka at smatejka@hpschicago.com.

Loaves and Fishes Dinner

teresa.church/loaves-and-fishes

Weekly soup kitchen feeding and sitting with people in need of a meal.

La Posada Border Ministry

teresa.church/border-ministry

Travel to the border to help and understand those seeking asylum.

Food Pantry

teresa.church/food-pantry

Our parish food pantry is a welcoming, dependable source of nutritious food, respect and social contact to the needy of our community.

Care for Creation Ministry

teresa.church/care-for-creation

Our mission, an authentic social and moral commitment, is to educate and inspire our parish to accept the health of the planet and all creation as a personal and communal responsibility, thereby instilling a desire to make choices that result in actions for the stewardship of God's creation.

Spiritual Ministries

There are many ministries at St. Teresa's that celebrate our faith via small christian communities, serving in our liturgies, and learning more.

Women's Spirituality

teresa.church/womens-spirituality

Meets the Last Tuesday of the month to provide a supportive space for prayer and reflection.

Men's Spirituality

teresa.church/mens-spirituality

Meets virtually every Tuesdays at 7am to come together and discuss what it means to be a disciple. Email cdeanhockey@gmail.com to get the link and join.

Bible Studies/Discussion Groups

Throughout the year there are bible studies you can join or maybe a book study with Fr. Frank. Schedules change throughout the year, so stay tuned!

Religious Education

teresa.church/religious-education

Whether it's our Montessori based Catechesis of the Good Shephard for children, EDGE Middle School ministry, QUEST High School Ministry, or SPRED Ministry for those with special needs, St. Teresa's has a wide array for programs to meet the needs of our children.

Communauté Catholique Francophone de Chicago

teresa.church/french-community

St. Teresa's is home to a wonderful and vibrant French community.

This Sunday's Readings:

First Reading:

Genesis 12:1-4a

God promises Abram a great blessing.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Through God's grace we are called to holiness.

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James, and John.

Feasts and Saints:

3/7- Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

3/8- St. John of God, Religious

3/9- St. Francis of Rome, Religious



Food Pantry Needs Bags:

In an attempt to reduce the use of plastic bags, the Food Pantry is always in great need of **DOUBLED PAPER GROCERY BAGS WITH HANDLES**. If you have a collection that you would like to contribute, please drop it off at the parish office or at the pantry. Thank You

Reflections for Today:

Do I recognize Jesus when I encounter him?

Am I open to being transformed?

Can I think of a significant event where I encountered the divine presence?

Reflection
REFLECTION

Financials:

Semi-Annual Report to the Parish

	ACTUAL			BUDGET	
	First Half			First Half	
	FY 23	FY 22	Variance	FY 23	Variance
Collections	\$817,815	\$818,724	\$4,091	\$862,010	(\$44,195)
Fundraising	146,946	220,739	(74,673)	150,500	(4,554)
Other	53,645	35,181	18,464	50,304	23,341
Total Revenue	\$517,506	\$609,624	(\$92,118)	\$542,814	(\$25,308)
Expenses	(415,600)	(460,467)	44,867	(493,078)	77,410
Net Ordinary Surplus/(Deficit)	\$101,906	\$109,157	(\$7,251)	\$49,744	\$52,562
Other Revenue	21,861	9,137	12,724	-	21,861
Other Expense	(89,582)	2,757	(92,339)	(40,000)	408
Net Other Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$17,721)	\$11,894	(\$29,615)	(\$40,000)	\$22,269
Sub: Ord & Other	\$84,185	\$121,051	(\$36,866)	\$9,744	\$74,371
Investment Earning	(6,630)	78,171	(134,801)	-	(6,630)
Total Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$27,485	\$199,222	(\$171,737)	\$9,744	\$17,741

Parish Life

From Fr. Frank:

March 5th, 2023

Dear St. Teresa of Avila Family,

As our parish moves forward on the journey of renewal, we are called, as disciples of Jesus Christ, to draw others into an encounter with the Risen Lord through the very life of our community. To this end, our parish must be, at all times, vibrant and life-giving; it must be strong and mission-oriented; and, it must have the support of everyone within the St. Teresa of Avila family.

Walking with our Lord as His disciples, He asks us to be good and faithful stewards of our time, talent, and treasure, knowing that all come from God and are, ultimately, intended for His glory. By giving our time and talent, we foster moments of grace for those God places before us and it is by sharing our treasure that we provide needed financial support for vital ministries, staff, and the operations of our parish.

In this spirit of discipleship and stewardship, I am asking everyone to prayerfully re-assess their financial commitments to the parish. Over the next several weeks, we will embark on an intentional parish offertory initiative and look at the ways in which regular contributions from each parishioner or family can support and strengthen the mission of our parish. It is my hope that through prayer, reflection, and discernment- each of us will identify how we might share the blessings God has given us for the benefit of our St. Teresa of Avila family.

Jesus teaches us, “Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.” (LK6:38). Whatever we provide will be returned to us.

I pray every day for you, the parishioners of our St. Teresa of Avila family, as well as those who, through our abundant generosity, may one day join us at the Eucharistic table. Please join me in praying for St. Teresa of Avila that we may be known by our love for God and one another.

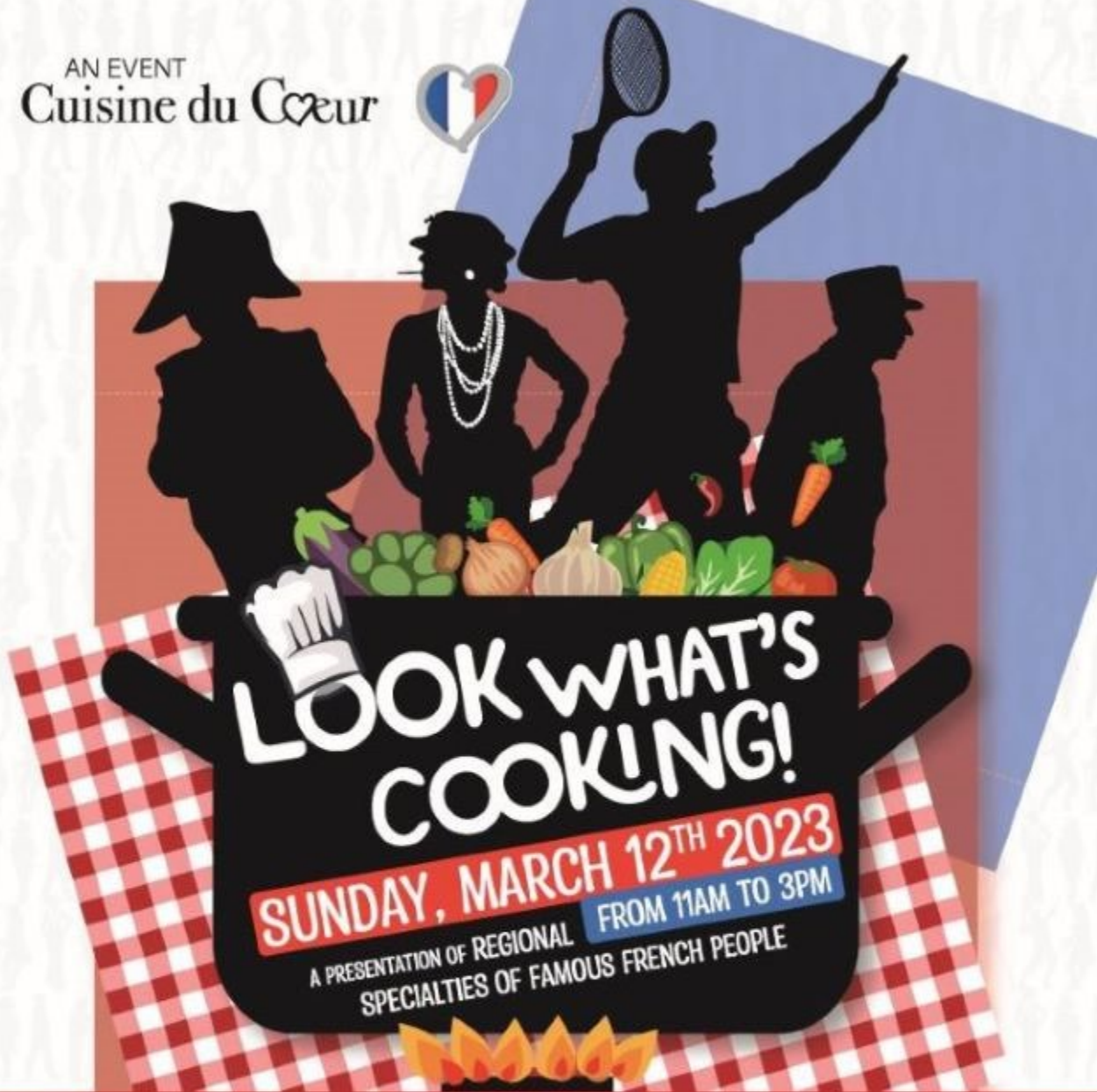
Yours in Christ,

Fr. Frank



Parish Life

AN EVENT
Cuisine du Cœur



LOOK WHAT'S COOKING!
SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH 2023
FROM 11AM TO 3PM
A PRESENTATION OF REGIONAL
SPECIALTIES OF FAMOUS FRENCH PEOPLE

ENJOY HOMEMADE FRENCH GASTRONOMY LUNCH AT ST TERESA _____ AT 1950 N KENMORE AVE, CHICAGO

[TICKETS]

Adult \$52
Children \$12
Young Adult \$32
Savory French Basket \$25
Wine \$25

Must purchase your tickets
in advance online

cuisineducoeur.net

ALL SALES WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY MARCH 6TH

**WE'RE BACK
IN PERSON**

BUT PICKUP BASKETS
STILL AVAILABLE

Parish Life

PLEASE JOIN US FOR HOSPITALITY

AFTER THE 10AM AND 6PM MASS

This is a wonderful way to catch up and visit with fellow parishioners as well as meeting new ones and getting to know each other!

If you would be interested in hosting a Sunday after the 10am Mass here is the link to sign up-

<https://signup.com/go/uwfqUZ>



2022 Contribution Statement:

To request your 2022 Contribution Statement please contact Charisse Gioia in the Parish Office

773-528-6650 or email cgioia@stteresaparsh.org

Name Tags:

After years of talking about the need to have name tags so everybody knows our actual names, we have received the approval of the Parish Council and the Finance Committee to begin the process.

The name tags will be permanent and have a magnetic clip to use so that your clothes are not damaged when wearing it. The name tag will have your name and the area that you live in (i.e. "Lincoln Park", "Park Ridge", "Rogers Park).

Please go to to our website to fill out the form- [teresa.church](https://www.teresa.church)

Parish Life

Lenten Tuesday's:

All are welcome to join us on Tuesday evening for an evening of prayer and meal sharing.

Soup Will Be Served 6:00-7:30pm

Adoration and Confession 6:00-7:30pm

Tuesday March 7th, 2023- Vegetable Soup

Second Sunday of Lent

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

In the first reading, Abram is called by God to leave his home and go to an unknown land. In an act of great trust, he obeys. He does not know what lies ahead, but he walks in faith. We must also walk in faith, especially during our Lenten journey.

Abraham certainly did not understand that he would indeed have descendants like stars in the sky. So, like Abraham, let us trust with question. Our wanting to trust may transform into faith and perhaps we, too, will begin to count the stars in our lives.

In the transfiguration, Peter, James and John also encounter God. They experience the divine presence in the transformed Jesus Christ. The change in his face, which "shown like the sun" and his clothes which became "white as light" are a reference back to Moses appearance after receiving the Ten Commandments.

The transfiguration also foreshadows the resurrection of Jesus. In his appearance to Mary of Magdala at the tomb, he also had bright white clothes. And clearly something was significantly different about his appearance, for Mary did not recognize him.



Prayer

Mass Intentions

10AM - Joseph Kachnik (D)

12 PM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Living and Deceased

6 PM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Living and Deceased

Let Us Pray For: The Sick, The Deceased and Peace in Our World:

We pray for everyone who suffers from illness of mind or body.

We pray for survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse.

We pray for those who have passed away.

We pray for peace in our city and around the world.

We pray for the intentions on our prayer cards.

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday 3/12 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 3/12 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 3/12- 6pm- Fr. Frank

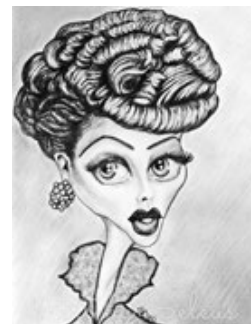
Sunday Funday- March 5th-

Today is-Cheese Doodle Day, Cinco de Marcho and World Book Day.

1558-The tobacco plant was introduced into Spain by Francisco Fernandes, as a healing herb.

1933-President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared a bank holiday' – closing all US banks and freezing all financial transactions.

1960-Lucille Ball filed for divorce from Desi Arnaz, ending their marriage as well as the Lucille Ball-Desi Arnaz Show franchise on CBS.



On the Lighter Side: Wedding White

A little girl finally got to attend a wedding for the first time. While in the church, the girl asked her mother: “Why is the bride dressed in white?” The mother replied to the girl: “because white is the color of happiness and it’s the happiest day of her life today.”

After a little bit, the girl looks up at her mother and says: “But, then why is the groom wearing black?”



Parish Life

St Francis of Rome Feast Day March 9th Patron Saint of Motorists and Widows

Frances' life combines aspects of secular and religious life. A devoted and loving wife, she longed for a life-style of prayer and service, so she organized a group of women to minister to the needs of Rome's poor.

Born of wealthy parents, Frances found herself attracted to the religious life during her youth. But her parents objected and a young nobleman was selected to be her husband.

As she became acquainted with her new relatives, Frances soon discovered that the wife of her husband's brother also wished to live a life of service and prayer. So the two, Frances and Vannoza, set out together—with their husbands' blessings—to help the poor.

Frances fell ill for a time, but this apparently only deepened her commitment to the suffering people she met. The years passed, and Frances gave birth to two sons and a daughter. With the new responsibilities of family life, the young mother turned her attention more to the needs of her own household.

The family flourished under Frances' care, but within a few years a great plague began to sweep across Italy. It struck Rome with devastating cruelty and left Frances' second son dead. In an effort to help alleviate some of the suffering, Frances used all her money and sold her possessions to buy whatever the sick might possibly need. When all the resources had been exhausted, Frances and Vannoza went door to door begging. Later, Frances' daughter died, and the saint opened a section of her house as a hospital.

Frances became more and more convinced that this way of life was so necessary for the world, and it was not long before she requested and was given permission to found a society of women bound by no vows. They simply offered themselves to God and to the service of the poor. Once the society was established, Frances chose not to live at the community residence, but rather at home with her husband. She did this for seven years, until her husband passed away, and then came to live the remainder of her life with the society—serving the poorest of the poor.





Join
BISHOP MARK BARTOSIC

LENTEN TRIDUUM
Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
for Healing, Repentance, and Peace

March 27, 28, & 29 7pm-8pm

Monday Tuesday Wednesday

Prayerfully journey 1, 2, or 3 evenings
Uniting the faithful regarding the clergy sexual abuse crisis

Mary, Mother of God Parish
SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH
5545 N Paulina St., Chicago IL

 <https://www.facebook.com/stgregschicago>

 **SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS WILL BE PRESENT**

For more info: vii.taskforce@gmail.com
Organized by AOC Vicariate II Committee for Healing and Atonement



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MAYFEST

FEATURING
The Armitage Art Show

**SAVE
the
DATE**

Live Music. Food. Drinks. Kids Area.
Art Show. Premium Shopping.

May 12-14, 2023
Fri 5-10pm | Sat & Sun Noon-10pm

Lincoln Park
Armitage from Sheffield to Racine

 
Proceeds Benefit The Ranch Triangle

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Parish Council

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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish.

Finance Council

Don Eldred

Chair

The St. Teresa Finance Council reviews the financial documents and position of the parish and advises the pastor and business manager on financial matters, including the preparation of the annual parish budget.

Stewardship Committee

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The Stewardship Committee's goal is to foster a sense of gratefulness and response of increased sharing of gifts in the parish and communities we seek to support. We do this by creating, encouraging and communicating ideas and programs that help parishioners recognize and share their gifts.

Contributing to the Bulletin

Past bulletins and guidelines for submitting to the bulletin are available on our website at:

www.teresa.church/bulletins

How to Report Sexual Abuse

To report an allegation of sexual abuse and/or neglect of minors, contact the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Hotline at 800.25.ABUSE (800.252.2873) and/or contact your local police department.

You can also contact the Office of Protection of Children and Youth (OPCY) at 312.534.5254.